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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from November 15 to December 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

• Chain O'Lakes State Park

0706907 - Erosion has caused a channel approximately fifteen foot wide to form through the wetland between the Fox River and Grass Lake south of Hackberry Island. This project will repair the erosion area by closing the open ends of the channel. In addition, shorelines at the two ends of the eroded channel will have geotextile fabric and rip rap stone placed to help prevent future erosion from taking place. Project was submitted for review on 11-17-06.

• Apple River Canyon State Park

0707487 - This project will demolish the Winston Tunnel Fan House structure. Instability has progressively increased and poses a danger to the public. Project was submitted for review on 12-12-06.

• Volo Bog State Natural Area

0707415 - This project will remove invasive brush from degraded upland areas with a hydro-axe and follow up with herbicide application to minimize resprouts. Project was submitted for review on 12-11-06.

• Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park

0706984 - This project will replace well and drinking system at Lock 23. Project was submitted for review on 11-17-06.

• Rock Cut State Park: Harlem Hills N.P.

0707318 - This project will mechanically remove the brush and debris in the gully, an old road bed and culvert, and to contour the slopes to a more gradual and natural contour. Installation of intermittent terraces will further slow the rates of surface water discharge and erosion potential. Project was submitted for review on 12-8-06.

• Tall Timbers Marina - Havana

0705718 - This project will provide underlayment and rip rap to stabilize the banks within the marina. Project was submitted for review on 10-25-06.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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